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| **Hellenic National Defense General Staff** |  | **Hellenic National Defense College** |

**4th Senior Course on Defense Studies: International Senior Course in Applied Strategy**

**INFORMATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES**

**Location of HNDC**

The Hellenic National Defense College (HNDC) was founded in 1950 in Thessaloniki but in 1952 redeployed in Athens, the capital of Greece and since 1984 it operates in the former Military Academy HQ building (the Averof Mansion). The camp address is “Evelpidon 6 & Moustoxidi St, Kipseli, GR 11362, Greece), that is 3,5 km or 2 miles (11 min) far from the city centre, and 34 km or 22 miles (35 min) from “Eleftherios Venizelos” International Airport.

**Arrival**

The students should arrive in Athens not later than 1400 local time; on September 9, 2018.Transportation from your point of entrance in Athens to your accommodation can be provided upon request, free of charge.

**Access to HNDC Camp**

HNDC Camp can be easily reached by taxi or by bus. For the students who choose to be accommodated in the military resort area of “Agios Andreas”, a shuttle bus will be available. In order to facilitate your access, a security entrance card (pass) is mandatory. Therefore, you need to send us along with the application form, a copy of your passport (page with the picture and personal data) and a copy of your national ID card.

**Laptops**

Participants are allowed / encouraged to use their personal laptops or tablets into the camp. Nevertheless, computers with internet access are available for students' use and a laptop can be issued to each student for the duration of the course.

**Security**

In the camp, participants have to carry their Entrance Pass, which will be received from the security office. Holding the passport is up to the participants (the corresponding passport number has to be the same as the one provided to HNDC in the Application Form).

**Insurance**

The HNDC will not cover any health care expenses. All participants are responsible for ensuring that they are in possession of a valid and adequate insurance (accident, repatriation, liability and health).

**Sending Nations**

Sending organizations are responsible for arranging the required permits for military personnel to enter Greek territory.

**Visa request**

According to the international regulations certain foreign nations need passport and a visa to enter Greece. If a visa is required, it is the responsibility of the sending nation and of the individual student to apply for it, in advance. All the participants should be aware of the valid international regulations.

**Language**

Working language is English (STANAG 6001:3333).

**Dress Code**

Every Monday: Uniform Class B.

Tuesday to Thursday: Business (coat and tie, with equivalent attire for ladies).

Friday: Business Casual.

V.I.P. Visits and ceremonies: Class A.

Visits: Business Casual.

Field Studies Trips: Uniform Class B, Business, and Casual.

Please be aware of weather conditions during the season.

**Accommodation and Meals**

The HNDC provides the opportunity to students to be accommodated in the military resort area of “Agios Andreas”. A limited number of scholarships, covering accommodation and dining expenses, will be offered based upon timely received requests by interested countries and final approval by the HNDGS. The officers that come from countries that are not granted the scholarship have two options. They can either select to stay in “Agios Andreas” covering the relevant expenses or to stay at Hotels of their preference. In case you choose to stay at a hotel it would be wise to choose a hotel near a metro station.

The facilities of “AgiosAndreas” are located 35 km from the College, on the East side of Attica prefecture (average time to reach Athens’s city center or HNDC Camp is about 40’ -45’ and 35 km). However, there are a number of advantages if you choose to stay in “Agios Andreas” such as:

* 24/7 provided security in a military camp. Access in the facilities will be granted by issuing the relevant security card.
* Furnished rooms with air condition. Water and electricity are free of charge.
* Limited rent expenses in comparison with regular Hotel prices.
* Sport facilities.
* Free Wi-Fi.
* First aid medical assistance.

You can find pictures of “KAAY Agios Andreas” and important information (please note that many of the facilities are provided only during the summer period and may not be available during your staying there), on Google.

The students may choose to have lunch in the facilities of “Agios Andreas” or at the Hellenic Armed Forces Officers Club.

Lunch at “Agios Andreas” is scheduled from 14.00 till 15.30 and you have to inform the relevant personnel one day in advance (after the summer period).

Lunch in Hellenic Armed Forces Officers Club (LAED/ΛΑΕΔ) is scheduled from 14:30 to 16:00. The officers club is located in Rigillis 1 & Vasilissis Sofias (Pavlos Melas Square),Athens, tel: 210.72.12.496 / 72.15.806). For more information see <http://www.laed.gr/index.php> .

**Transportation**

Transportation from your accommodation in the “Agios Andreas” military resort to the HNDC Camp and vice versa will be provided during the working days, as well as on not-working days, it will be free of charge.

**Social program and weekend**

An official *welcome reception* event will be held at the Hellenic Armed Forces Officers Club during the first week of the course as well as an Official Graduation Ceremony on the last day of the course, followed by a reception.

During the weekends you are free to arrange your own schedule. However, the school will offer a variety of activities such as visits to museums or archeological sites. Your participation is mostly voluntary. If a special event arises that requires your presence during weekends, you will be informed well in advance.

*Theater Training Workshop*. This workshop supports students’ development through theatrical practices. 20 hours (5 sessions x 4hrs.) are dedicated to expose students to ancient Greek plays that are still relevant today. Instructors will be prominent directors and actors from the Greek national theatrical stage. The participation is voluntary; however you are encouraged to take part for your own intellectual development. Accompanying family members are also welcome to participate.

**Fees**

No participation fees are applied. Sending nations will have to bear accommodation and dining costs, nevertheless a limited number of scholarships will be offered exclusively on Military Facilities, based upon timely received requests by interested countries and final approval by the HNDGS.